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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Rath, et al. §

Serial No.: 09/165,248 §

Filed: October 1, 1998 §

For: A Silicon Carbide Deposition For §  
Use As A Barrier Layer and An §  
Etch Stop §

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination of the above referenced application, the Applicants request that the application be amended as follows:

**In the specification:**

Please change "Watts/cm<sup>2</sup>" references to "Watts/in<sup>2</sup>" at the following location:

Page 9, TABLE 1; row 8, column 1.

Please change all "cm<sup>2</sup>" references to "in<sup>2</sup>" at the following locations:

Page 10, lines 17 and 26; and

Page 13, lines 7 and 14.

**In the claims:**

Please change all "centimeter" references to "inch" at the following locations:

Claim 11, line 3;

Claim 13, line 6;

Claim 20, line 3;

Claim 21, line 7; and

Claim 27, line 7.

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